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## **ABSTRACT**

A scraper blade made from a synthetic material moulded on an insert (2), characterised in that the insert (2) has the form of a metal plate (2) with a first external part (2A), extending the base of the scraper blade (1) downwards and a second internal part (2B) inclined at an angle with respect to the first part. The angle of inclination is such that forces (F) acting on the blade when the blade is applied against a conveyor belt are substantially perpendicular to this second part, plus or minus 45° with respect to the perpendicular.